PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

North Carolina State Board of CPA Examiners February 23, 2015 1101 Oberlin Road Raleigh, NC 27605

MEMBERS ATTENDING: Miley (Bucky) Glover, CPA, President; Michael H. Womble, CPA, Vice President; Wm. Hunter Cook, CPA, Secretary-Treasurer; Tawannah G. Allen, Ed.D; Murchison (Bo) Biggs, CPA; George W. Rohe, CPA; and Jeffrey J. Truitt, Esq. (via telephone).

STAFF ATTENDING: Robert N. Brooks, Executive Director; David R. Nance, CPA, Deputy Director; Frank Trainor, Esq., Staff Attorney; Lisa R. Hearne, Manager-Communications; Buck Winslow, Manager-Licensing; Jean Marie Small, Specialist-Professional Standards; Kaitlyn White, Intern; Matthew Fearnow, Intern; and Noel L. Allen, Legal Counsel.

GUESTS: Sharon Bryson, COO, NCACPA; Jared Plummer, CPA, NCACPA; Curt Lee, Legislative Liaison, NCSA; Suzanne Jolicoeur, Senior Manager, State Regulation & Legislation, AICPA; and Officer K.C. Min, Raleigh Police Department.

CALL TO ORDER: President Glover called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

MINUTES: The minutes of the January 26, 2015, meeting were approved as submitted.

FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY ITEMS: The January 2015 financial statements were accepted as submitted.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULE-MAKING ITEMS: Mr. Brooks reminded the Board members of the March 18, 2015, rule-making hearing at 1:00 p.m.

NATIONAL ORGANIZATION ITEMS: Mr. Allen discussed the *amicus curiae* brief prepared for the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy (NASBA) in support of discretionary review of *CommScope Credit Union v Butler & Burke, LLP*, by the Supreme Court of North Carolina.

STATE AND LOCAL ORGANIZATION ITEMS: Messrs. Brooks and Trainor provided the Board members with copies of documents filed by Belinda Johnson with the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) requesting a hearing by Ms. Johnson with the Board before the OAH.

REPORT OF THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE: Mr. Cook moved and the Board approved the following recommendations of the Committee:

<u>Case No. C2014161 - James E. O'Connor</u> - Approve the signed Consent Order (Appendix I).

<u>Case No. C2014200 - Kim W. Ward</u> - Approve the signed Consent Order (Appendix II). <u>Case No. C2014385 - James R. Landacre</u> - Approve the signed Notice of Apparent Violation and Agreement to Cease and Desist (Appendix III).

<u>Case No. C2014399 - Margaret Boose Norris</u> - Approve the signed Notice of Apparent Violation and Agreement to Cease and Desist (Appendix IV).

<u>Case No. UT2014318 – Joey L. Kirkman</u> - Approve the signed Notice of Apparent Violation and Agreement to Cease and Desist (Appendix V).

<u>Case No. C2013162 and Case No. C2013184</u> – Debra Hill Bedford – Approve a Notice of Hearing for May 21, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.

Case No. C2014083 - Close the case without prejudice and with a Letter of Warning.

Case No. C2013187 - Close the case without prejudice.

Case No. C2014320 - Close the case without prejudice.

REPORT OF THE PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE: Dr. Allen moved and the Board approved the following recommendations of the Committee:

Transfer of Grades Applications - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following:

Matthew Robert Lyons

Amanda Arianne Polasik

Original Certificate Applications - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following:

Cassie Hedgepeth Allman
Caroline Cox Andrews
Steven Nelson Baker
Jana Nicole Ballard
Joshua Adam Brown
Christina Morgan Burnett
Melissa Colleen Castrey
Huan Chen
Rachael Parnell Constable
Charlene Cook Controne
Koren Sickles Cranford
Evan Andrew Crim
Ian Alexander Frank Edmonds

Brittany Jo Eronson
DeAnna Lynn Ford
Chelsea Rebecca France
Rachel Ann Gable
Adam Daniel Gattoni
Jessica Lena Gregory
Robert James Hager
Corey Daniel Hawley
Benfield Gordon Hicks
Farabee Hussain
Patricia Joanne Jordan
Kayla Beth Kreigsman
Alexander Nicholas Lamm

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Staff reviewed and recommended approval of the original application submitted by Matthew Stephenson McLean. Mr. McLean failed to disclose pertinent information with his exam application but provided it with his certificate application. Staff recommended approval of the application with a one-year probationary period. The Committee recommended that the Board approve staff recommendation.

Staff reviewed and recommended approval of the original application submitted by Michael Byrd Parisi. Mr. Parisi failed to disclose pertinent information with his exam application but provided it with his certificate application. Staff recommended approval of the application with a one-year probationary period. The Committee recommended that the Board approve staff recommendation.

Reciprocal Certificate Applications - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following:

Sarah Simpson Diebold Abdirisak Farah Dirie Amir Albir Eskarous George Duncan Fraser, Jr. Kimberlee Sue Harmon Michael Robert Jacobs Ryan Robert Koppe Joseph Bart Labenson Jeffrey Scott McDonald
Oscar Arnulfo Perla
Bryan Noelting Quisenberry
Lyndsay Hoch Renaud
Phyllis Louise Reynolds
William James Volker
Alesia Nicole Walker
James Allen Young, Jr.

Temporary Permits - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following temporary permits that were approved by the Executive Director:

Joan E. Jones, #T8313
Brandy Marie Tunningley, #T8314
Bradley Jay Veltkamp, #T8315
Jynelle Shauntae Crutch, #T8316
Michael Samuel Galub, #T8317
Samuel LaMar DuBose, IV, #T8318
Corey Michael Ficke, #T8319
Elizabeth Michelle Hickey, #T8320
Mariana Picchioni Thielen, #T8321
Carol Ann Ward, #T8322
Jennifer Lynn Fagan, #T8323

Dorina Jai Harris, #T8324 Carleigh Michelle Moore, #T8325 David Keith Hatten, #T8326 Jennifer Kristen Primrose, #T8327 Avril Ruth Tanner, #T8328 Julia Anne Yochum, #T8329 Charles Rankin Bliss, Jr., T8330 Sandhya Rani Haritha Penmatcha, #T8382 Stacey L. Winkelspecht, #T8383

Reinstatements - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following:

James Christopher Brewington, #24774 Marilyn Mitchell Friddle, #16591 Naseem K. Garcia, #32074 Erin Elizabeth May Hartman, #26934 Angela M. Hudson, #25908

Christine Millaway, #25772 Jennifer Kerr Stevens, #20184 Katherine Meisky Turner, #29844 Amy Rydzy West, #33374

Reissuance of New Certificate - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following applications for reissuance of new certificate:

Joseph Herndon Clarke, III, #33214

Robert Frederick Weidaw, #31149

Extension Requests - The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following individuals for extension for completion of CPE until the dates noted:

Thomas R. Allen, Jr., #12595 - 6/30/15

John C. Callaghan, #7105, -6/30/15

Letter of Warning - Staff has reviewed and recommended approval of the request to rescind the Letter of Warning awarded to Henry Luther Greene, III, #18544. The Committee recommended that the Board approve staff recommendation.

Examinations -The Committee recommended that the Board approve the following staff-approved applicants to sit for the Uniform CPA Examination:

Mohamed Nour Ahmed Elizabeth Adams Rehan Ali

Omar Alsaidi Carlos Alvarado Rosario Severino Alvarez

Daniel Ambrose Amber Anderson Evan Andert Kathrynne Anna Roscoe Atkinson Matthew Aulbert Alicia Barbour Mohammad Basit **Emily Batchelor** Timothy Baynes Andrew Beamon Brenda Bean Mayra Beltran James Benz Christopher Berube William Biney Tiffiny Birdsong Brandon Bishopp Leona Bostic Jackelyn Branco Andrea Bridges Joshua Bryant Loretta Burleson Zachary Burns Renee Bursley Benjamin Burton Na-im Butler Veronica Butler Steven Caponi Rosario Chinchay Robert Cochrane Aikaterini Coker William Collum Margaret Correll Bryce Creedon Raven Cross Sharon Cullipher Emmanuel Darko Larisa Demling Marie Dominique Lauren Donadio

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Susan Eisenhardt **Iames Evans** Andy Ferrell Katlyn Foster Matthew Frawley Denice Frette Rene Gamez Correa Ryan Garner Kayla Grant Taylor Gray Kyle Grella Caleb Grim Rebecca Gurganus Monica Gutierrez Suzanne Hahn Benjamin Harrington-Smith Ashley Hawkins Jordan Heath Caroline Henry Parker Hodges Tameka Holmes **Emily Holt** Andrew Hood Sarah Hope Donna Horne Michael House Brendan Hoyer QingLing Huang Robert Jackson Shannon Jewett Symone Johnson Matthew Jones Anson Killiany Ruth Kinyua Sarah Kleckner Elizabeth Kramer Jacquelyn Kremer Stephen Krouse Peter Laczynski Lucas Landon Cameron Landreth Keith Lane Camie Le

Iessica Lea **Julian** Lee Lorraine Lee Sydney Lee Edward Lich Robin Link Sonya Long Ernest Lookabill Travis Lowman Theodore Luckman Christopher Lynagh Rachel Maddox Sarah Mali Talya Mallin Kayla Marchese Zachary Marco Amanda Martin India Mathis Mark Mattingly Brent May Bryan McCall Karen McCall Iennifer McGhee Ashley McNeely Megan McWilliams Daniel Michael Ashley Middleton Vadim Mikhaylyants **Jennifer Miller** Dale Millns Kathleen Mishler Donna Morris Eliana Mundula Rosemary Murphey **Austin Myers** Ted Nashland Adam Nicholson Nana Nyanor Ashley Oliver Jordan Orlandi Derek Osborne Rachel Parrish Hamel Patel

Matthew Patterson Tisha Perkins Hang Plemmons Alexander Porter Kevin Protasewich Theresa Rabbass Jared Rapoport Karen Rasmussen Amber Roberts Kenneth Roberts Amber Robertson Meridith Rosborough Rebecca Rothrock Ruben Rush Matthew Ruterbories **Edwin Sasser** Katherine Schmidtke Steven Schulz Meghan Seifert Jatinder Sharma Phillip Shehdan Erin Shepard Raven Simon **Drew Simpson** Richard Slate John Smith Waylon Smith Alec Smitherman Erin Spencer Sarah Spohr Angela Spranza Jeremy Stone Erin Strickland Curtis Strubinger **Jessica Sutton** Charnice Taylor Tamara Temple Kaying Thao Kayla Thomas Jamie Thornburg Irish Thurston Angela Turner

Vernon Utley

Nicholas Vance Kathryn Wallace

Crystal Watson-Abbott

Bryan Weber Jason Wellington Hanna Wentz Joseph Weston Deborah Whaley

Kristin Wheeler Laurel Whitten

Kasey Wiggins Katherine Williams Douglas Wilson Jody Wilson

Samantha Wolpert

Jeffrey Wood

Jacquelyn Yellin-Mungo

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The Committee reviewed a proposal to conduct background checks on all Exam and certificate applicants as requested by the Committee. The Committee recommended that Mr. Allen review the proposal in regard to statutory authority and current language on the applications.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Cook and Dr. Allen moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:39 a.m. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted:

Attested to by:

Robert N. Brooks

Executive Director

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President

NORTH CAROLINA WAKE COUNTY

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS CASE #: C2014161

IN THE MATTER OF: James Edward O'Connor, #13240 Respondent

CONSENT ORDER

THIS CAUSE, coming before the North Carolina State Board of CPA Examiners ("Board") at its offices at 1101 Oberlin Road, Raleigh, Wake County, North Carolina, with a quorum present. Pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-41, the Board and Respondent stipulate to the following:

- 1. James Edward O'Connor (hereinafter "Respondent") is the holder of North Carolina certificate number 13240 as a Certified Public Accountant.
- 2. Respondent completed a tax services engagement for a client. The client failed to pay for those services. At the time the services were rendered, Respondent provided the client with a copy of his returns, including a depreciation schedule.
- 3. After the engagement was concluded, the client requested an additional copy of the depreciation schedule prepared by Respondent, along with other information. Respondent provided some of the information requested but did not at that time provide the depreciation schedule, which the client asserted had never been received from Respondent. At this time, Respondent requested payment which had not been received from the client for services rendered.
- 4. Respondent did not hear from the client for a period of time until receiving a telephone call demanding that he produce the depreciation schedule within 48 hours, or the client would report Respondent to this Board. During that call, Respondent did not have the opportunity to request payment from the client for the sole purpose of providing the requested document. Respondent did not immediately provide the depreciation schedule, and the client filed a complaint with the Board. Respondent ultimately provided a copy of the depreciation schedule to the client.
- 5. Per 21 NCAC 08N .0305(a), "A CPA must return client records in his or her possession to the client after a demand is made for their return."
- 6. Per 21 NCAC 08N .0305(d), "A CPA shall not retain a client's records in order to force payment of any kind."
- 7. Per 21 NCAC 08N .0305(g), a CPA can require payment of a reasonable copy fee prior to providing a second copy of a record to a client.

8. Respondent wishes to resolve this matter by consent and agrees that the Board staff and counsel may discuss this Consent Order with the Board *ex parte*, whether or not the Board accepts this Consent Order as written. Respondent understands and agrees that this Consent Order is subject to review and approval by the Board and is not effective until approved by the Board at a duly constituted Board Meeting.

BASED upon the foregoing, the Board makes the following Conclusions of Law:

- 1. Respondent is subject to the provisions of Chapter 93 of the North Carolina General Statutes and Title 21, Chapter 08 of the North Carolina Administrative Code, including the Rules of Professional Ethics and Conduct promulgated and adopted therein by the Board.
- 2. Respondent's failure to promptly provide the client with a copy of the client's depreciation schedule is a violation of 21 NCAC .0305.
- 3. Per N.C. Gen. Stat. § 93-12(9), and also by virtue of Respondent's consent to this order, Respondent is subject to the discipline set forth below.

BASED on the foregoing and in lieu of further proceedings, the Board and Respondent agree to the following Order:

- 1. Respondent is censured.
- 2. Respondent shall remit, with this signed Order, a one thousand dollar (\$1,000) civil monetary penalty.

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NORTH CAROLINA WAKE COUNTY

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS CASE #: C2014200

IN THE MATTER OF: Kim M. Ward, #29681 Respondent

CONSENT ORDER

THIS CAUSE, coming before the Board at its offices at 1101 Oberlin Road, Raleigh, Wake County, North Carolina, with a quorum present. Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 150B-41, the Board and Respondent stipulate to the following Findings:

- 1. Respondent is the holder of North Carolina certificate number 29681 as a Certified Public Accountant.
- 2. Respondent informed the Board on her 2013-2014 individual certificate Renewal ("Renewal") that between January 1, 2012, and June 30, 2013, she had obtained the requisite 40 hours of continuing professional education ("CPE") to meet the 2012 CPE requirements.
- 3. Based on Respondent's representation, the Board accepted her Renewal.
- 4. Board staff requested that Respondent provide certificates of completion for the CPE reported to meet her 2012 and 2013 requirements.
- Respondent provided the CPE certificates of completion to the Board as requested. Respondent was only able to provide documentation for thirty-five and one-half (35.5) hours of continuing professional education ("CPE") taken to meet the 2012 CPE requirement.
- 6. Respondent wishes to resolve this matter by consent and agrees that the Board staff and counsel may discuss this Consent Order with the Board *ex parte*, whether or not the Board accepts this Consent Order as written. Respondent understands and agrees that this Consent Order is subject to review and approval by the Board and is not effective until approved by the Board at a duly constituted Board meeting.

BASED upon the foregoing, the Board makes the following Conclusions of Law:

- 1. Respondent is subject to the provisions of Chapter 93 of the North Carolina General Statutes and Title 21, Chapter 08 of the North Carolina Administrative Code, including the Rules of Professional Ethics and Conduct promulgated and adopted herein by the Board.
- 2. Respondent's actions as set out above constitute violations of 21 NCAC 08N .0202(a), .0202(b)(3), and .0202(b)(4).
- 3. Per N.C Gen. Stat. § 93-12(9) and also by virtue of Respondent's consent to this Order, Respondent is subject to the discipline set forth below.

BASED on the foregoing and in lieu of further proceedings, the Board and Respondent agree to the following Consent Order:

- 1. Respondent's failure to provide adequate documentation of CPE renders the Renewal insufficient and untimely. Respondent's failure to adequately renew her certificate results in an automatic forfeiture pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 93-12(15).
- 2. Respondent must return her certificate to the Board within fifteen (15) days of Respondent's receipt of the Board's notification of its approval of this Consent Order.
- 3. Respondent may apply for the reissuance of her certificate after one (1) year from the date the Board approves this Consent Order and if Respondent's certificate and the civil penalty required in number five (5) of this Order have been timely received by the Board.
- 4. Respondent may apply to return her certificate to active status by submission and approval of a reissuance application which includes:
 - a. Application form,
 - b. Payment of the application fee,
 - c. Three (3) moral character affidavits, and
 - d. Forty-four and one-half (44.5) hours of CPE in the twelve (12) months preceding the application including an eight (8) hour accountancy law course as offered by the North Carolina Association of CPAs in a group-study format.

- 5. Respondent shall pay a one thousand dollar (\$1,000.00) civil penalty to be remitted to the Board prior to submitting a reissuance application.
- 6. Respondent agrees that failure to timely comply with any terms of this agreement and Consent Order shall be deemed sufficient grounds for revocation of her certificate.

CONSENTED TO THIS THE 25th DAY OF Jan 2015

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Respondent

APPROVED BY THE BOARD THIS THE 23 DAY OF FERLUNCY

NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS



BY: Miley W. Hru.
President

THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF:
James Rider Landacre
Respondent File # 6

NOTICE OF APPARENT VIOLATION & AGREEMENT TO CEASE AND DESIST

Respondent File # C2014385

TO THE ABOVE NAMED RESPONDENT:

WHEREAS, the North Carolina State Board of Certified Public Accountant Examiners ("Board") is authorized by N. C. Gen. Stat. § 93-12 (16) to enforce the provisions of the North Carolina Certified Public Accountant Act ("Act") through actions for injunctive relief regarding "a single violation" of this Chapter; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. § 93-1, "A 'certified public accountant' is a person who holds a certificate as a certified public accountant issued to him under the provisions of this Chapter."

WHEREAS, pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. § 93-3, "It shall be unlawful for any person who has not received a certificate of qualification or not been granted a practice privilege under GS 93-10 admitting the person to practice as a certified public accountant to assume or use such a title, or to use any words, letters, abbreviations, symbols or other means of identification to indicate that the person using same has been admitted to practice as a certified public accountant."

WHEREAS, pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. § 93-6, "It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the public practice of accountancy in this State who is not a holder of a certificate as a certified public accountant issued by the Board, unless such person uses the term 'accountant' and only the term 'accountant' in connection with his name on all reports, letters of transmittal, or advice, and on all stationery and documents used in connection with his services as an accountant, and refrains from the use in any manner of any other title or designation in such practice."

WHEREAS, Respondent James Rider Landacre (hereinafter "Respondent Landacre") is not actively licensed as a certified public accountant in North Carolina or otherwise authorized by the Board to use the CPA title in this state, but his principal place of business is in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Respondent Landacre, in July of 2005, was granted "inactive" status for his North Carolina CPA license. Per that application, he agreed "I certify under oath that I will not identify myself as a CPA to any person in any manner... as long as I remain on inactive status."

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WHEREAS, Respondent Landacre, while on inactive status, identified himself to a CPA in the State of North Carolina in his Preparer Tax Identification Number registration with the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS"), thereby indicating that he prepared tax returns as a CPA in the state of North Carolina in contravention of N. C. Gen. Stat. § 93-3 and § 93-6.

THEREFORE, Respondent Landacre and the North Carolina State Board of Certified

Public Accountant Examiners hereby agree that Respondent Landacre shall immediately cease and desist from using in any manner the title "CPA" or "Certified Public Accountant" in North Carolina unless and until licensed as a CPA by the North Carolina State Board of Certified Public Accountant Examiners. North Carolina State Board of Certified Public Accountant Examiners BY:

In lieu of civil proceedings authorized by N. C. Gen. Stat. § 93-12(16), the Board will accept Respondent's consent to this Agreement.

Consented to es Rider Landacre Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this day by Kimberly S. Pruitt

[I have personal knowledge of the identity of the principal(s)] [I have seen satisfactory evidence of the principal's identity, by a current state or federal identification with the principal's photograph in the form of a NC Driver's License] [a credible witness has sworn to the identity of the principals James Richer Landacre .]

Notary KIMBERLY S. PRUITT **NOTARY PUBLIC** Seal GUILFORD COUNTY, F My Commission Expires 01-13-2018

Robert N. Brooks **Executive Director**

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THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF: Margaret Boose Norris Respondent File #C2014399

NOTICE OF APPARENT VIOLATION & AGREEMENT TO CEASE AND DESIST

TO THE ABOVE NAMED RESPONDENT:

WHEREAS, the North Carolina State Board of Certified Public Accountant Examiners ("Board") is authorized by N. C. Gen. Stat. § 93-12 (16) to enforce the provisions of the North Carolina Certified Public Accountant Act ("Act") through actions for injunctive relief regarding "a single violation" of this Chapter; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. § 93-1, "A 'certified public accountant' is a person who holds a certificate as a certified public accountant issued to him under the provisions of this Chapter."

WHEREAS, pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. § 93-3, "It shall be unlawful for any person who has not received a certificate of qualification or not been granted a practice privilege under GS 93-10 admitting the person to practice as a certified public accountant to assume or use such a title, or to use any words, letters, abbreviations, symbols or other means of identification to indicate that the person using same has been admitted to practice as a certified public accountant."

WHEREAS, pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. § 93-6, "It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the public practice of accountancy in this State who is not a holder of a certificate as a certified public accountant issued by the Board, unless such person uses the term 'accountant' and only the term 'accountant' in connection with his name on all reports, letters of transmittal, or advice, and on all stationery and documents used in connection with his services as an accountant, and refrains from the use in any manner of any other title or designation in such practice."

WHEREAS, Respondent Margaret Boose Norris (hereinafter "Respondent Norris") is not actively licensed as a certified public accountant in North Carolina or otherwise authorized by the Board to use the CPA title in this state, but her principal place of business is in North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Respondent Norris, in June of 1993, voluntarily surrendered her CPA certificate and was granted "inactive" status.

WHEREAS, Respondent Norris, while on inactive status, identified herself to be a CPA in the State of North Carolina on the CommunityOne Bank, N.A., website and other publications, thereby indicating that she is licensed as a CPA in the state of North Carolina in contravention of N. C. Gen. Stat. § 93-3 and § 93-6.

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THEREFORE, Respondent Norris and the North Carolina State Board of Certified Public Accountant Examiners hereby agree that Respondent Norris shall immediately cease and desist from using in any manner the title "CPA" or "Certified Public Accountant" in North Carolina unless and until licensed as a CPA by the North Carolina State Board of Certified Public Accountant Examiners.

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THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF: Joey L. Kirkman Respondent #UT2014318 NOTICE OF APPARENT VIOLATION & AGREEMENT TO CEASE AND DESIST

TO THE ABOVE NAMED RESPONDENT:

WHEREAS, the North Carolina State Board of Certified Public Accountant Examiners ("Board") is authorized by N. C. Gen. Stat. § 93-12 (16) to enforce the provisions of the North Carolina Certified Public Accountant Act ("Act") through actions for injunctive relief regarding "a single violation" of this Chapter; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. § 93-1, "A 'certified public accountant' is a person who holds a certificate as a certified public accountant issued to him under the provisions of this Chapter."

WHEREAS, pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. § 93-3, "It shall be unlawful for any person who has not received a certificate of qualification or not been granted a practice privilege under N.C.G.S. §93-10 admitting the person to practice as a certified public accountant to assume or use such a title, or to use any words, letters, abbreviations, symbols or other means of identification to indicate that the person using same has been admitted to practice as a certified public accountant."

WHEREAS, pursuant to N. C. Gen. Stat. § 93-6, "It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the public practice of accountancy in this State who is not a holder of a certificate as a certified public accountant issued by the Board, unless such person uses the term 'accountant' and only the term 'accountant' in connection with his name on all reports, letters of transmittal, or advice, and on all stationery and documents used in connection with his services as an accountant, and refrains from the use in any manner of any other title or designation in such practice."

WHEREAS, Respondent Joey L. Kirkman (hereinafter "Respondent Kirkman") is not now nor has he ever been licensed as a certified public accountant in North Carolina or otherwise authorized by the Board to use the CPA title in this state; and

WHEREAS, JLK Tax Service is not now nor has it ever been registered as a certified public accountant firm in North Carolina or otherwise authorized by the Board to use the CPA title in this state,

WHEREAS, Respondent Kirkman, while working in North Carolina: made reference to the CPA title on the websites for JLK Tax Service and on other Internet sites; utilized the term "CPA" in the title to those websites; and referred to JLK Tax Service as a CPA firm. Respondent Kirkman's use of the title "CPA" or "Certified Public Accountant" conveys the false impression

that he holds a CPA certificate issued by the Board when, in fact, he is not lawfully authorized to use the title "certified public accountant" or "CPA" in this State. Such a representation is misleading and contrary to N. C. Gen. Stat. §§ 93-1, 93-3, and 93-6.

THEREFORE, Respondent and the North Carolina State Board of Certified Public Accountant Examiners hereby agree that Respondent shall immediately cease and desist from offering or using in any manner the title "CPA" or "Certified Public Accountant" in North Carolina unless and until licensed as a CPA by the North Carolina State Board of Certified Public Accountant Examiners.

North Carolina State Board of Certified Public Accountant Examiners

| BY: Flood DATE: 10/08 Robert N. Brooks Executive Director | /14 |
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| In lieu of civil proceedings authorized by N. C. Gen. Stat. § 93-12(16), th accept Respondent's consent to this Notice. | e Board will |
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